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SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LIBRARY BOARD



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### BEAUFORT LIBRARY GRANT APPROVED

The Community Facilities Administration has approved a grant of \$23,000 toward the cost of a \$48,000 county library building for Beaufort.

Current plans call for an exchange of properties between the county library board and the city of Beaufort with the present library building becoming the city hall. The present city building with an addition will provide more adequate space for the library.

Construction will begin within 120 days.

### KERSHAW COUNTY LIBRARY REFERENDUM

Kershaw County voters will be asked to express themselves on whether or not the city and county systems should be combined at a referendum on August 6.

The Camden Junior Chamber of Commerce has adopted a resolution supporting the combination of the Camden Public and the Kershaw County Libraries.

Camden Attorney Henry Savage appealed to the members of the Kiwanis Club to vote favorably on this issue. Mr. Savage enumerated the economies and advantages which would result from the combination.



## 1963-64 PROJECTS OF STATE LIBRARY BOARD

The State Library Board has planned two projects for 1963-64 to increase the service and efficiency of South Carolina library systems which can meet the requirements for participation. A Reference Materials Project designed to strengthen the resources of headquarters libraries and an equipment project designed to increase efficiency and economy of operation will be conducted.

Libraries applying for grants must meet State Aid and Library Services Act requirements and have a 1963-64 income of at least 60¢ per capita, the average for the state.

### Reference Materials Project

Previous projects of the State Library Board have enabled libraries to strengthen reference resources of community libraries and bookmobiles, but some headquarters libraries have not benefited because of the requirement that Library Services Act funds be used for rural areas only. Under the new Reference Materials Project, books may be purchased for the central library. Grants will vary with the population area served by the system: libraries serving areas of over 100,000 population - \$3,000; libraries serving 50,000 to 100,000 - \$2,000; libraries serving 25,000 to 50,000 - \$1,500. Libraries will be reimbursed for expenditures on a percentage basis, the State Library Board being responsible for the rural percentage and the local library the urban percentage.

In order to insure the full use of materials provided by this project the State Library Board expects to offer training opportunities, probably covered by scholarship grants, for pre-professional personnel engaged in reference work. Libraries receiving grants under the Reference Materials Project will agree to take advantage of such training opportunities.

### Equipment Project

In order to help public libraries achieve greater efficiency and economy in operation and thus improve their service to the public, the State Library Board has developed a project which will aid libraries in the purchase of equipment. Grants will vary with the population area served by the system: libraries serving areas of over 100,000 population - \$2,000; libraries serving from 50,000 to 100,000 - \$1,500; libraries serving 25,000 to 50,000 - \$1,000.

Approval for purchase will be granted for items which will be immediately useful in providing better service or achieving greater efficiency and economy in library operation; which can be adequately housed in the present building; for which there is staff to service and funds to operate, and for which present need justifies the purchases.

No funds will be granted until after October 31, 1963 when manufacturer's representatives will exhibit and demonstrate the use of the equipment available from their firms. Each library which participates in this project will send a representative to this exhibit to inspect and study the equipment available.



## TWO SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS ANNOUNCED

Two scholarship awards were recently announced by the State Library Board. Helen Jordan and Margie Herron have received grants for a year of graduate study in library science.

Miss Jordan, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Jordan of Columbia, is a graduate of Columbia College. While in college, she was president of the Day Students' Club, a member of the Student Coordinating Board, a marshall, a member of the Order of the Purple Seal, and a Dean's List student. She has worked as a student assistant in the Columbia College Library and as a library intern with the State Library Board. Miss Jordan's scholarship to the Emory University Division of Librarianship is being sponsored by the State Library Board and she will join its staff upon receiving her library degree.

Miss Herron graduated from Winthrop in June of this year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyman L. Herron of Aiken. At Winthrop, she was a Taps leader, a marshall, and a member of Phi Alpha Theta, Kappa Epsilon Pi, and Kappa Delta Pi. She was a 1962 library intern at the Aiken-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library which is sponsoring her scholarship and will return there to work following a year of study at Rutgers University.

## LIBRARY INTERNS TO MEET

Sixteen library interns and their supervising librarians will meet at the Richland County Library on August 15. The opening session will feature talks relating to the future of librarianship by Estellene Walker, Director of the State Library Board, and Dorothy Smith, Adult Services Librarian of the Richland County Library. Later the interns will have an opportunity to discuss and evaluate the intern program and to make suggestions for its future development. Following lunch, the group will visit the R. H. Smith Branch of the Lexington County Library in Cayce and the John Hughes Cooper Branch of the Richland County Public Library in Columbia.

## NEWS OF FORMER JUNIOR INTERNS

Ann Nickles, who was a 1961 junior intern at the Greenwood City and County Library, is now children's librarian there after having taught school for one year.

Greenwood's 1962 junior intern, Carole Boyce, is a full time summer assistant at the library. Miss Boyce is working in the reference and circulation departments.

## FROM THE SCHOLARSHIP DEPARTMENT

Myra Armistead, who held a State Library Board scholarship at the Emory Division of Librarianship, has completed her studies and joined the staff of the Extension Department of the Greenville County Library on July 1.



May Moore Pourciau, who attended Louisiana State University under the scholarship plan of the State Library Board, will assume her duties on the staff of the Richland County Public Library on September 3.

Mrs. L. B. Morley, who was sponsored by the Colleton County Memorial Library Board under the regulations governing the State Library Board's scholarship program, will return to Walterboro on August 15 to be head of the county library. Mrs. Morley attended the University of North Carolina.

### THAILAND LIBRARIANS VISIT S. C. LIBRARIES

Three Thai librarians who are on a world-wide tour of libraries under the auspices of the Rockefeller Foundation visited South Carolina public libraries July 1 - 5. Mr. Phan Siva, librarian of a provincial public library at Songkhla in southern Thailand, Miss Rasa Wongvangvu, librarian of Wat Rajpobidh Secondary School, and Mr. Sook Pongsatit, librarian, USIS Information Center in Bangkok, were interested in observing library operations to learn means of improving and expanding services from their libraries.

The visitors studied the organization and operation of the State Library Board, the Calhoun County Library, the Greenville County Library and its branches, the Honea Path and Belton branches of the Anderson County Library, the Greenwood County Library, the Aiken-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library headquarters, and the three county headquarters.

The visiting librarians were impressed with the extent of coverage made possible by bookmobile, the efficiency of the branch libraries, the interest of library trustees and the library interpretation program. They were grateful for the friendly reception accorded them by members of library staffs and boards. Several members of the Calhoun County Library Board had visited Thailand and were so impressed by the country that they arranged a tea in honor of the visitors and set up a display of Thailand mementoes. Following the tea which the State Library Board held for them and Miss L. Marion Moshier in Greenville, they were guests of the Leslie Advertising Company at dinner. The staff of the Greenwood City and County Library entertained them at lunch on July 3.

### GOOD NEWS FROM A PUBLISHER

In the Common View, Houghton Mifflin's newsletter, the following appears: "We will try to see to it that in the future our bindings will allow sufficient space (preferably dark-colored) for the call numbers. . . .

"As our fall list has already been designed and is now straggling through the presses, we cannot promise total performance; and our Art Director staunchly and correctly reserves the right to confound the world in general and spine letterers in particular if and when the muse so directs him. But apart from such unforeseen calamities, a dark, restful call-number spot will be available."



## STANDARDS FOR LIBRARY FUNCTIONS OF THE STATES

Estellene P. Walker, Director, S. C. State Library Board, attended a one day meeting devoted to a presentation and discussion of Standards for Library Functions of the States, the result of over four years work by the Survey and Standards Committee of the Association of State Libraries. This meeting took place on July 13, preceding the annual ALA conference.

Dr. Robert D. Leigh was first director of the project and upon his death in 1961 was succeeded by Dr. Phillip Monypenny. The staff consisted of Mary Edna Anders, Leon Carnovsky, and Ed. A. Wight. In addition to the information gathered from questionnaires members of the staff visited every state except Hawaii, for which Dr. Leigh gathered data when he made a special survey.

The Carnegie Corporation made a grant of \$45,000 for the project. Representatives from the Council of State Governments, the American Association for State and Local History, the American Association of Law Libraries, National Legislative Conference and the Society of American Archivists assisted the Committee. The American Library Association made a contribution of \$6,700 from its general funds for 1962-63 toward the development and distribution of the standards.

Dr. Lowell A. Martin assisted in the development of the standards and prepared the draft for presentation.

The Standards for Library Functions at the State Level lists the responsibilities of state government for library service under five headings, all of which must be available in a full program. Standards are outline for: State-wide library resources for both government and citizens; Library services for state government; The state and state-wide library development; Organization of state library service; The state and financing of local public library programs; Personnel for state library service, and Physical facilities for state library service.

Emphasis is placed on the importance of setting standards for state library agencies and achieving those standards to strengthen a critical link in the American library system.

## ALA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Two events highlighted the 82nd Annual Conference of the ALA held in Chicago July 14 -20. One was the dedication of the Association's national headquarters at the opening session Sunday, July 14; the other was a three-day "Conference Within a Conference" during which the majority of the more than 5,000 librarians attending participated in a series of work sessions to attempt to solve the major problems confronting the nation's libraries and caused by the growth of the student populations and the increasing use of libraries at all age levels.



Among the outstanding speakers heard at the conference were: Dr. Ralph Munn, Director, Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Dr. Mason Gross, President, Rutgers University; Rutherford Rogers, Deputy Librarian of Congress; Dr. Lowell Martin, Vice President and Editorial Director, Grolier Society, Inc., and Dr. Samuel B. Gould, President, Educational Broadcasting Corporation.

The general sessions of the conference were held in the Conrad Hilton Hotel, International Ballroom, with Dr. Munn as principal speaker at the opening session Sunday, July 14, and Dr. Frederick H. Wagman, Director, University Library, the University of Michigan, and president-elect of the Association, presenting his inaugural address at the final session Friday, July 19.

Two sessions of the ALA Council were held -- at the first on Monday, July 15, representatives heard reports on nominations and standards of library service to the blind; at the second on Friday, July 19, representatives heard reports and took action on legislation and other matters.

At a meeting on July 19 the members heard a report on the "Access to Libraries Study" now being completed. The study was a nation-wide survey of access to Libraries by all persons, including racial, religious, and political groups.

Among South Carolina public librarians attending were: George Linder and Frances Reid, Spartanburg; Margaret and Madeleine Mosimann, Charleston; Josephine Crouch, Aiken; Dorothy Smith, Columbia; Charles Stow, Greenville.

#### DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER LIBRARY AWARDS

Application forms for the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Library Awards are now available from the State Library Board. These awards include one \$5,000 National Award, nine Honorable Mention Awards of \$1,500 each, and one \$1,000 award for every other state that qualifies.

In order to qualify a library must meet the following criteria:

1. The library applying must be:
  - (a) A public library serving a population of less than 25,000 people.
  - (b) Or, if a county or regional library, the largest incorporated place served must not exceed 25,000; other incorporated places under 5,000; the total population served is not limited.
  - (c) Or, a unit within a system, having its own Board of Trustees and income.
2. The library must show evidence of having governing officials actively interested in the progress of the library program.
3. It must be housed in a building capable of providing adequate shelving and display space for a large number of additional books.



4. Its community must make active use of its present facilities, free of charge, and support them adequately.
5. At least half of the annual total support of the library must be derived from public funds.
6. The library must be open to the public five days a week for at least part of each day, including some evenings. County and regional libraries may meet this requirement by submitting the hours of branches or of headquarters.
7. The library shall provide equal service to all, regardless of race, creed or nationality.
8. There must be plans for the future development of the library in cooperation with libraries outside its immediate service area for which additional book resources are needed.
9. The State Library Extension Agency must agree to, and be in a position to, provide consultant service if requested by the library.
10. No state shall be disqualified from the national or honorable mention awards because of winners of these awards in previous years.

If your library meets these requirements, request an application form from Estellene P. Walker, Director, State Library Board, 1001 Main Street, Columbia 1, South Carolina.

The Beaufort County Library was the first library in the state to win the National Award. Greenwood City and County Library, and the Oconee County Library received the \$1,000 award in previous years.

## OF LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

The newly remodeled Camden Public Library was open for inspection on Sunday, July 28, from 3:00 to 7:00 p. m.

The Marlboro County Library has received a framed copy of the Mayflower Compact, the first written document by which all members agreed to set up a democratic form of government. The facsimile was presented by Mrs. Henry Harrall, a direct descendant of Isaac Allerton, one of the forty-one signers at Cape Cod in 1620.

Miss J. Lisle Hay terminated nineteen years of employment with the Marion Public Library at the end of June. Miss Hay was honored at an informal tea in the library on June 18. Mrs. Earl Taylor has succeeded Miss Hay as assistant to Mrs. C. D. Joyner.



## DELETION FOR SMALL LIBRARIES PAMPHLETS

All librarians are requested to refer to Supplement C of Pamphlet No. 9, the Small Library Project pamphlet, and delete the latter half of F. 2 on page three. This sentence is in conflict with ALA Council action on Labeling and will be omitted in future printings of the supplement.

## LOCAL INTERN PROJECT

Since the Colleton County Library is temporarily without a trained librarian, it could not qualify for a library intern under the State Library Board program. The library board requested funds for the employment of a summer assistant and was able to employ Frances McMillan who is a rising senior at Furman University.

## FROM THE TRUSTEES CORNER

W. Cornwell Stone, Jr. has succeeded Harry Abernathy as chairman of the Chester County Library Board. Charles Betts Reid, business man and farmer of Richburg, is a new member of the Board replacing J. Coit Wilson whose term expired June 30.

Thomas C. Kistler is the new chairman of the Darlington Public Library Board. Mr. Kistler replaces Mrs. J. M. Ervin.

T. M. Verdin, Jr. was elected chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Greenville County Library at the July meeting of the board.

J. W. Hipp has been succeeded by the Reverend Mr. G. L. Hill as chairman of the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library Board.

W. R. Craig is the new chairman of the Pickens County Library Board.

## NEW LOOK FOR GIRL SCOUT HANDBOOKS

On September 9, 1963, completely revised Girl Scout Handbooks will go on sale. The revision includes colorful illustrations as well as text and is the result of a study by the Research Division, University of Michigan. The study concerned the needs and interests of girls 7 - 17 and included a survey of the reaction of girls to the program.

An attractive display featuring the new handbook is available during the month of September from the directors of Girl Scout Councils. Request the display from your area director.

Librarians are reminded to replace their present handbooks with the revised editions.



YOUR PROBLEMS

by Anne Library

Dear Anne:

I just wish you could see this library. The head librarian is so afraid she'll offend somebody that she accepts for display anything from those frilly crocheted flower pot covers to huge pieces of petrified wood; she agrees to store scrapbooks of garden clubs, music clubs, historical societies, and any other organization that comes along. And the donations she accepts — with many strings attached thereto! The library building is bulging at the seams and the staff can hardly find space to work while the patrons have to work their way carefully among display cases and piles of junk.

Can you suggest a remedy?

All the staff is

Frantic

Dear Frantic:

I'm glad I don't have to look at the conditions you describe — I've seen too many libraries like yours.

Every library should have a policy — a written one adopted by the board — setting forth the position of the library in regard to displays, storage of non-library material and donations. Maybe a staff committee could discuss this with the librarian and ask that she request board action on the matter.

If prospective exhibitors, storers and donors realize that the same policies apply to everyone no wrath should be incurred by a polite refusal.

I have an idea that the reason your library is bulging is because the spirit which prompted accepting donations has been carried over to the book stock. No doubt a scrutiny of the shelves would reveal many titles which could be discarded because of physical conditions or out-of-date material. Try a diplomatic approach on this, too.

Clutter and overcrowded shelves have no place in an efficient and effective library.

Sympathetically yours,

Anne



FROM THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

New Edition of Infant Care

A complete revision of INFANT CARE, the Government's all-time bestseller, which was first published in 1914, is now available.

The new INFANT CARE sets forth guide-lines for parents in preventing accidents, includes a section on the handicapped baby, advice on what constitutes good care when a working mother leaves her baby in the care of others, and gives parents information on all the immunizations now available to prevent communicable childhood disease, some of which were not in general use when the last major revision of INFANT CARE was published in 1951.

Single copies of INFANT CARE may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. for 20 cents.

Rural Library Service

The Department of Agriculture has issued a "slightly revised" edition of Library Service for Rural People, which was first published in 1959. This attractive brochure was prepared by an ALA committee headed by Minnesota State Librarian, Hannis S. Smith. Copies may be obtained at 15 cents each from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

READING FOR AN AGE OF CHANGE

Economist Dr. Robert L. Heilbroner is the author of "The World of Economics," the fifth in a series of American Library Association pamphlets, Reading for an Age of Change, published in cooperation with the Public Affairs Committee, Inc.

In the pamphlet Dr. Heilbroner traces, in short and lucid paragraphs, the development of economic thought and explains the theories of today's conservative and liberal economists. He covers: the rise of the market society, the economics of early capitalism, the industrial revolution, Marxism, the American experience, the great depression, the Keynesian revolution, and its ensuing great debate, the problem of bigness, the rise of the planned society, and the welfare state.

Order from Public Affairs Committee, 22 East 38th Street, New York 16, N. Y. Price: 60¢.

ZIP CODE

Please use Zip Code 29201 when addressing mail to the State Library Board.

You are requested to send the Zip Code for your library on a postal card to the State Library Board.



## DONATIONS

Miss Jennie G. Engels has contributed \$1,000 to the Greenwood City and County Library as a memorial to her sister, Miss Netta Engels. This contribution is to be used at the discretion of the library board. At her death in January, 1963, Miss Netta Engels had been children's librarian of the Greenwood Library for twenty years.

## NOTICE

### TO PARTICIPANTS IN SLB PROJECTS

Your application for grant funds IS NOT COMPLETE until you have submitted:

Two signed copies of the application

An outline and time table of publicity to be given library's participation  
in project

A statement from county and/or city treasurer certifying to the amount of tax  
or appropriated funds available to the county library for 1955-56, and 1963-64.

(If these statements have been submitted in connection with another project in 1963-64,  
do not resubmit.)

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